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IN BBA/COM 2007/2008 (March 2009)
Specialisation in Human Resource Mgmt, Marketing Mgmt, & Ent. Development

DDE 402 Development Problem and Policies

Answer all questions

Time; 03 hours

- 1.(a) What is meant by the term "Development"? (04 marks)
- (b) List out some basic questions about the meaning of development posed by Dudley Seers. (04 marks)
- (c) Explain the three objectives of development. (04 Marks)
- (d) "Economic growth cannot be treated as an end in itself" Explain the above Sen's Statement with examples. (08 Marks)

(Total 20 Marks)

- 2.(a) What does the Lorenz curve show? Explain with diagram. (08Marks)
- (b) How do you estimate the Gini coefficient? Illustrate with diagram. (04 Marks)
- (c) What do you understand by the term "Human Poverty Index" (HPI)? Explain the key deprivations included in the calculation of HPI. (04 Marks)
- (d) Examine the relationship between growth, inequality and poverty. (04Marks)

(Total 20 Marks)

- 3.(a) Explain the consequences of rapid population growth in developing countries. (04 Marks)
- (b) What is the relationship between the age structure of a population and its dependency burden? (04 Marks)
- (c) Is the dependency burden higher or lower in developing countries? Why? (04 Marks)

(d) Illustrate the demographic transition in developing countries with diagram. (08 Marks)

(Total 20 Marks

4.(a) What are some of the costs associated with environmental degradation? (04Marks)

(b) Development policy makers incorporate some form of environmental accounting into their decisions. Give an example of environmental accounting. (04 Marks)

(c) Briefly explain a range of policy options available for LDC governments to alleviate environmental problems. (08 Marks)

(d) In what ways can developed nations contribute to the alleviation of LDC's Environmental problems. (04 Marks)

(Total 20 Marks)

5.(a) Explain and comment on some of the major arguments for planning in developing economies (08 Marks)

(b) Explain some basic characteristics of economic planning. (04 Marks)

(c) List and explain some of the major reasons for planning failures. (08 Marks)

(Total 20 Marks)
